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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0012] with the following replacement paragraph:

[0012] Figure 6 shows fluorescence before (squares) and after (circles) incubation with serum complement during growth phase of *E. coli* with plasmid pGFP+luc* at 30 °C as a function of the concentration of serum complement in the cell culture.

Please replace paragraph [0013] with the following replacement paragraph:

[0013] Figure 7 shows luminescence before (squares) and after (circles) incubation with serum complement during growth phase of *E. coli* with plasmid pGFP+luc* at 30 °C as a function of the concentration of serum complement in the cell culture.